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SUBJ: CODEL FRELINGHUYSEN

REF: USIA 2441 CIRCULAR

1. IF FRELINGHUYSEN AGREEABLE, POST WOULD EXPLORE ONE OF FOLLOWING TWO OPTIONS FOR PROGRAMMING HIM WHILE HE IS IN DELHI:

A. SESSION ON "CONGRESS AND U.S. FOREIGN POLICY" AT PRESTIGIOUS SCHOOL OF INTERNATIONAL STUDIES (SIS) OF JAWAHARLAL NEHRU UNIVERSITY. WE WOULD PROPOSE 1-1/2 HOUR SEMINAR DISCUSSION (20-30 MINUTE PRESENTATION BY CODEL FRELINGHUYSEN FOLLOWED BY DISCUSSION AND Q/A) FOR APPROXIMATELY 25 SENIOR FACULTY AND RESEARCH SCHOLARS IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS. EXPECT DISCUSSION WOULD BE CHAIRED BY SIS DEAN, DR. M.S. VENKATARAMANI (PH.D. OREGON UNIVERSITY 1955; RESEARCH SCHOLAR, HARVARD, 1957-58; VISITOR TO U.S. 1961 AND 1971). HE IS INDIAN AUTHORITY ON AMERICAN STUDIES. ALTHOUGH BASICALLY FRIENDLY TO U.S., VENKATARAMANI HAS BEEN CRITICAL OF U.S. FOREIGN POLICY, IN PARTICULAR U.S. "TILT" TO PAKISTAN IN BANGLADESH WAR. BELIEVE CODEL FRELINGHUYSEN WOULD HAVE MOST INTERESTING 1-1/2 HOURS WITH VENKATARAMANI AND CO.

B. ALTERNATE POSSIBILITY IS SESSION ON "U.S. FOREIGN POLICY, THE CONGRESS, AND THE MEDIA" AT PRESS INSTITUTE OF

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INDIA (PII). TEN YEAR OLD PII, AFFILIATED WITH INTERNATIONAL

PRESS INSTITUTE, IS PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION WHOSE AIMS INCLUDE ASSISTING GROWTH AND STABILITY OF *NDIAN MEDIA, RAISING STANDARDS IN PROFESSION, SELECTION OF INDIAN JOURNALISTS FOR FOREIGN SCHOLARSHIPS, CONDUCT OF MEDIA RESEARCH. PII IS CENTER FOR DISCUSSION OF FUNDAMENTAL ISSUES EFFECTING MEDIA. WOULD PROGRAM SESSION LIKE ABOVE FOR APPROXIMATELY 25 LEADING PROFESSIONALS-- EDITORS, PUBLISHERS, JOURNALISTS, COLUMNISTS AND, SOMETIMES, JOURNALISM PROFESSORS AND SOME OF THEIR BRIGHTER GRADUATE STUDENTS. DISCUSSION WOULD BE CHAIRED BY PII DIRECTOR, MR. CHANCHAL SARKAR, NIEMAN FELLOW AT HARVARD, 1960, A VETERAN JOURNALIST AND LEADING POLITICAL ANALYST. DISCUSSION COULD BE COMPLETELY OFF THE RECORD, IF DESIRED.

2. AMBASSADOR MOYNIHAN (WHO AS YOU KNOW IS IN WASHINGTON) IS TAKING A PERSONAL INTEREST IN THE CONGRESSMAN'S INDIA PROGRAM. SUGGEST AGENCY DISCUSS OUR PROPOSAL WITH HIM AS WELL AS FRELINGHUYSEN.

3. CHARGE CONCURS. HEMSING

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